**UNIVERSITY HIGH SCHOOL S.T.E.M. ACADEMY**

**2010-2011 STUDENT/PARENT CONTRACT**

Once accepted into the S.T.E.M. Academy, I must hold fast to the following criteria to remain in the program:

1) Adhere to the University High School and Volusia County School’s “Code of Student Conduct”

* Any student who receives a disciplinary action will automatically be placed on probation for the remainder of the grading period. Dismissal from the academy may be automatic, depending on the infraction.
* Further/Continued “minor” infractions will result in the student being removed from the program.

2) Maintain good attendance

* No more than five (5) days absent per 9-week marking period (excused or un-excused).
* No more than 5 tardies in any given class/period during a 9-week marking period.

3) Maintain at least a 2.0 cumulative grade point average overall, a 2.0 in core academic classes, and at least a

2.5 average in STEM Academy courses. If a student’s grades fall below the 2.0 / 2.5 requirements, they will be placed on probation for the remainder of the grading period. Failure to show academic improvement may result in removal from the academy.

4) Work cooperatively and independently when required; including approved off-campus activities.

5) Follow the University High School “Honor Code” as outlined in the Student Handbook

* Honor Code violations will result in a probationary status, and may result in Academy dismissal.

6) Re-submit work that is not up to specified standards; for successful completion of course requirements.

7) Be self-disciplined & motivated to help others and show a clear desire to pursue a STEM related career.

8) Successfully complete the mandatory “Internship” and “Community Service” experiences.

* 100 hours of documented community service are required for awarding of the STEM Academy Honor Cord at graduation (approximately 25 hours per year).
* Complete the minimum hours for an “Internship” during the student’s SENIOR year of the Academy; as assigned by the clinical instructor and business community and calculated in their overall course grade.

9) Represent the STEM Academy with a positive attitude when working / volunteering in the public.

10) Students who have any legal matters in their past, or involve themselves in legal matters, may NOT be permitted to

participate in community service events, job-shadowing, internships, etc. Many of the community and business partners will run a background check and DENY students or eliminate opportunities; including certification areas.

Any student who fails to adhere to the above criteria may face dismissal from the program. The decision to dismiss a student is determined by the Academy Director, Academy Counselor, and the School Administration.

***Student’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Aide Code: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_***

***Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_***

***Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_***

***Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* Please return completed contract to:**

Jeremy Blinn, Academy Director

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